

In addition, as set forth in the present application at page 2, lines 12-17, the present inventors, who certainly qualify as persons of ordinary skill in the art, initially pursued the second approach set forth by the Examiner until their analysis of the results determined that the first approach produced better luminescence for the reasons discussed in detail in the application.

Moreover, as has previously been noted by the applicant, the first approach noted by the Examiner does not necessarily maximize the production rate. For example, an approach that employed multiple chambers tailored to the different steps of the process could be used to increase overall throughput by which devices could be mass produced.

For these reasons, applicant submits that Sato would not have led one of ordinary skill in the art to form a green luminous layer comprising the second luminous material over the red luminous layer by stopping the evaporation of the dopant while continuing the evaporation of the second luminous material, as recited in claim 5. Accordingly, the rejection should be withdrawn.

Claim 28 has been rejected as being unpatentable over Sato in view of Singh (U.S. Patent No. 6,228,228); and claim 33 has been rejected as being unpatentable over Sato in view of Yamada (U.S. Patent No. 6,215,462). Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection because neither Singh nor Yamada remedies the failure of Sato to describe or suggest the subject matter of claim 5.

Applicant submits that all claims are in condition for allowance.

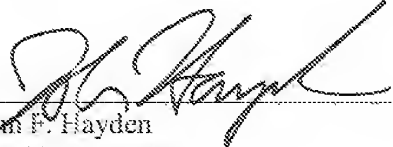
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